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Applicants: **Simmonds; Michael Bancroft (Mammoth Lakes, CA); Jensen;  
Kurt Gordon (Poway, CA); Diederichs; Jost Hermann (Poway,  
CA); Black; Randall Christopher (San Diego, CA)**  
Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING  
MEASUREMENTS OF ACCUMULATIONS OF  
MAGNETICALLY SUSCEPTIBLE PARTICLES  
COMBINED WITH ANALYTES**  
Docket No.: **10317/002004**

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37  
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**Priority claim information:**

This is a continuation application of U.S. patent application serial no. 09/911,934 filed on July 23, 2001, entitled "Method And Apparatus For Making Measurements Of Patterns Of Magnetic Particles In Lateral Flow Membranes And Microfluidic Systems" which is a divisional patent application of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/451,660 filed on Nov. 30, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,437,563 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Making Measurements of Accumulations of Magnetic Particles", which is a continuation-in-part patent application of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/975,569 filed on Nov. 21, 1997, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,046,585 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Making Quantitative Measurements of Localized Accumulations of Targets Particles Having Magnetic Particles Bound Thereto".

**Entity Status:**

Applicants qualify for Small Entity Status under the guidelines of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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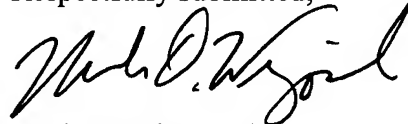
Basic filing fee	\$ 375.00
Total claims in excess of 20 times \$9.00	\$ 0.00
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$42.00	\$ 0.00
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Respectfully submitted,



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